Rev. E. Livingston Wells, rector of St. Luke's Protestant Episcopal church, and Rev. John DePeu, pastor of the First Congregational church, were elected president and vice president respectively of General Silliman Branch, Sons American Revolution, at the meeting held last night. George W. Jackman, Rev. Mr. DePeu, C. B. Buckingham, Henry C. Burroughs and O. H. Brothwell were appointed a committee to arrange a reception to Mormittee to arrange a reception to Mor-ris B. Beardsley, the recently elected president-general of the national so-H. C. Sherwood, W. A. Barnes Buckingham, O. Howard Hall C. B. Buckingham, O. Howard Hall and Henry J. Seeley were named to have charge of the banquet to the veterans of the G. A. R., in Masonic Hall, after the Memorial Day parade, May 30. A resolution was adopted requesting the election of Louis B. Silliman, a former president, to be a member of the board of managers of the state society. Other officers elected were: Secretary, Frederick A. Doolittie; register, William A. Barnes; treasurer, George C. Peet; historian, Dr. N. E. Wordin; chaplain, Louis B. Silliman. The executive committee consists of the officers, Henry P. Stags consists of the officers, Henry P. Stags of Stratford and Charles P. Coe.

Mrs. Enoch P. Hincks gave a reception, yesterday afternoon, at her residence, 517 Washington avenue, to her daughter, Mrs. James G. Ludlum, which was a brilliant affair. Invitations to the number of 300 were sent out. The decorations were representative of the spring flowers. Among members of the family who assisted in receiving were Mrs. Henry W. Hincks, Mrs. Robert S. Hincks and Mrs. William T. Hincks, Mrs. Samuel Hawley, Mrs. George Nettleton of New Haven and Mrs. Henry Blodget assisted in the dining room. Others who assisted were Mrs. Carroll B. Adams, Miss Marjorie Adams, Miss Florence Hincks of New York, Miss Carol Eaton of Beloit, Wis., and Miss Sarah Richards of New York.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Allen, 475
William street, entertained a party of
girl friends of their daughter Esther
Price Allen. During the evening her
engagement to Howard Porter Bodurtha was announced. Those present
were: Misses Esther, Hazel and Lydia Allen: Dorothy Short, Ruth Olmstead, Phoebe Baron, Florence Burgess, Grace Platt, Grace Wilson, Gertrude Jack, May Worrell, Louise Weltner, Katherine Lubshire, Adella Fitzroy, Mrs. W. Gray Quaintance, Miss
Hazel, Mrs. Hartley, Mrs. George H.
Allen and Miss Hazel Richle of Meriden.

The Colonna club will give a pivot whist in the club rooms Wednesday, May 19. Prizes have already been contributed by George Fairchild & Son, R. T. Whiting and the Hawley Hard-

Mrs. J. A. McGuinness, 488 Stratford avenue, entertained the Queen's Daughters, last evening.

A song social and drill was given by the Junior Y. P. S. C. E. of the First Baptist church, last evening, under the direction of Mrs. George W. Nicholson. Those who took part were: Lillian Anderson, Helen Ziefeldt, Marton Brown, Lillian Sipperly, Nellie Parker, Louise Brown. Assisting the young people in the entertainment were Mrs. Frederick Burrage Grannis in a solo, Louise Brown and Mrs. Arthur Randall in a duet, Mrs. W. J. Grippin, Mrs. W. MacKenzie, while the accompanists were Miss Bessie Barlow and Miss Edna Grippin.

Miss Helen McMahon, Broad street entertained six of her friends at dinner Thursday evening, when a pleasant time was enjoyed. The guests were: Miss Eleanor Thomas, Miss Catherine Bray, Miss Emma Harrington, Miss Stella White, Miss Emma Kelly and Miss Catherine McMahon.

A birthday party was held last evening at the home of Mrs. Payne, 1054 East Main Street in honor of their daughter Doris. The evening was spent in games and music. There was spent in games and music. There was recitations, solos and a plano duet by Doris Payne, Carl Wolff and George Langdon. Miss Doris Payne proved a charming entertainer. Those present were the Misses Louise Wolff, Della Langdon, Anna Arnold, Doris Payne and Masters Carl Wolff, Ernest France, George Langdon, Harold England, Mrs. Arthur France and William Arnold. At 10:30 luncheon was served.

The Bridgeport High School Orchestra has resumed its weekly rehearsals. The orchestra has been very fortunate in securing the services of a well-known local musician as director. All students, ex-students, or alumni of B. H. S., who are players of wood-wind, brass or string instru-ments are requested to be present at a rehearsal to be held this evening at 27 William St. The call is issued by James W. Coughlin of the orchestra.

"Why shouldn't every large concern have its own lighting plant, and sell the commodity too?"—A. M. Cooper.

"They'll want a monopoly on the air next."-Gen. H. A. Bishop.

"The Business Men and the Manu- Edward Pitzsch facturers' are after them in dead eern- in the Park City.

"We'll beat them at their own game." "That was a representative body of business men with large interests at stake, in Hartford. Thursday, prepared to meet the electrical companies on their own ground."—S. C. Shaw.

"That Girls' Club project is the most needful and laudable object I know of."-Dr. H. A. Thompson.

"I am mighty proud of my handsome loving cup, won in the Algonquin club pooltournament."—H. S. Osborne.

"The early environment of our young girls should be of the most wholesome character, and the Girls' club plan is a most excellent object."—Hon M. B.

"I'll organize the City officials' base-ball team at once, and prepare to play a great game, for the Girls' Club house."—E. T. Buckingham.

"There will be lively competition for the loving cup offered by Hon. W. E. Burnham, as the prize in a bowling tournament among the members of the Elks, as we have some of the best timber in the State in our lodge."—J A. O'Brien. A. O'Brien.

ing that a stitch in time saves nine Take Hood's for appetite, strength, and

COLLIERY CLOSES PLENTY OF COAL

endurance.

Wilkesbarre, Penn., May 8.-The Stockton colliery of the Lehigh Valley Coal Company, employing 800 men, has suspended work and will probably not resume until the Fall. The officials say that a number of changes are to be made, and that several new rock tunnels and slopes will be driven.

It is expected that a large number of collieries will be shut down soon for of collieries will be shut down soon for several weeks until repairs are made. There is so much coal on hand that it will take many weeks to dispose of all

Catholics Celebrate

Cathedral Centenary

New York, May 8 .- Catholics will begin to celebrate to-morrow the centenary of St. Patrick's old cathedral in Mott street. Dignitaries of the Church are expected from all parts of the country to take part in the exercises which will continue more than a week.

The celebration was to have taken
place on the same day of the month June 8, that the cornerstone of the church was laid, in 1809, but as Archbishop Fariey, who promised to cele-brate high mass, is scheduled to leave for Rome about that time, it was de-cided to hold the exercises earlier,

NEWTOWN.

In spite of the stormy evening, Friday, a great number were present at the unique social held at the fine residence of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Taylor for the benefit of the Christian En-deavor Society. Their home was A very enjoyable surprise party was endered on Miss Caroline Camp last vening. Among those present was an interest on the was sentenced on the surprise party was endered on the was sentenced on the A very enjoyable surprise party was tendered on Miss Caroline Camp last evening. Among those present were the Misses F. Valentine, M. Munich, E. Carley, D. Valentine, S. Carley, F. Huributt, M. Went, B. Fox, E. Standeven, H. Coggswell, R. Fox, M. Hallock, A. Hallock, C. Camp, Mrs. Hallock, and Messrs. Richard King, H. Jewett, W. Reaney, T. Watmough, C. Hutchinson, H. Smith, W. Warner, E. Thomas, O. Widinghoff, C. Hamilton, F. Worthey, A. Christie, A very dainty lunchean was served followed by singing and dancing. The party broke up in the small wee hours of the morning.

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Mrs. Abel L. Clarke have the pair were married in Vice and Mrs. Abe

Misses Mary and Catherine Farrell, Dorette L Gordan, Miss Anna Carlson, Miss Marguerite Cavanaugh, and Gus-tavus Carlson attended the ball game between Newtown High School and Bethel High School, in Bethel to-day. Edward Pitzschler passed yesterday

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THE THEATRES

SMITH'S.

The dramatization of a widely read novel always commands public interest to an unusual degree, and the pre sentation of "The Virginian" by Ower Wister and the late Kirke La Shelle Wister and the late Kirke La Shelle, this evening, is sure to draw a crowded house. In the development of the theme, Mr. Wister has produced a play which deserves to be called the ideal Western comedy drama of America. "The Virginian" shows exactly and is exactly what a comedy drama should be. The comical incidents and the dry humor of the cowboys are all in gay dialogue, and there is nothing of the highly emotional or burlesque in the love scenes or heavy business. A dry humor of the cowboys are all in gay dialogue, and there is nothing of the highly emotional or burlesque in the love scenes or heavy business. A very strong feature of the play is the quiet, winning and strong character of the Virginian. It is a familiar figure to all who know the West. All the other characters are well drawn and are sure to please. The Kirke La Shelle Company has spared no expense to give the theatre-going public a first class production with a company of well known New York players, among whom are W. S. Hart, who has achieved many New York successes and whose recent good work in "The Squaw Man" received the endorsement of the press and public, and Frank Campeau who will enact his original part of Trampas. Many of the original cast will be seen in the different parts, and under the management of the Kirke La Shelle Company we are sure to spend a pleasant

Miss Susan Osborne, founder of St. Mary's Home, on State street, spent a few days in the city, as the guest of the Misses Lee, on Noble avenue. Miss Osborne has three Homes, for working people in New York city, where persons in moderate circumstances, can find accommodations at nominal cost

Miss G. Cremin of New York, is the guest of her cousin, Mrs. T. J. Lennon, on Washington avenue.

Mrs. Richard Brown, wife of Sheriff Brown, was made the happy recipient of a handsome cut glass fruit dish and reflector, yesterday, by the members of the Lady Antlers. Mrs. Brown has been the president of this club since its inception. The committee having charge of the recent reception, which netted a neat sum over all expenses decided that no more appropriate use could be made of this surplus, than by making this presentation to Mrs. Brown, as a mark of their appreciation.

Miss Bessie Luby, of Meriden, is wide and demand during the days in the city spent a spend a pleasant evening with "The Virginian."

Next week will undoubtedly prove one of the biggest weeks in the history of the theatre, for it is the week of the twelfth annual production, and "The Show Girl" will be on display all the week long, afternoons and evenings. Robert M. Sperry has made of his "Show Girl" a most pleasing musical comedy, a satire upon things in general, with localisms sufficient, in quantity and quality, to keep the city laughing itself sore for weeks to come. This will be the biggest thing of his will be apparent from the start. The seats are selling so well that immense audiences are assured, numerous theatre parties having engaged seats in bunches of from 12 to 35 each. The cast this year is the strongest Mr. Sperry has ever shown us, and is further improved by the addition of Miss Margaret McKinney, a Broadway favorite, who has certainly achieved a decided success in musical comedy, so much so that her services are always in demand during Miss Bessie Luby, of Meriden, is spending the week end in this city, with her friends, the Misses Lillian and Irene O'Rourke, of Pembroke street.

It is rumored that Kline Bros. are looking for larger and more commodious quarters, and already have an option on a nearby building. They were desirous of securing the additional store occupied by the Cartwright Shoe Co., and made negotiations to that effect, but the latter company had no desire to relinquish their lease.

LEW.

Ily achieved a decided success in musical comedy, so much so that her services are always in demand during the sealth and electrical features of "The Show Girl" will be surprising, and the coming week will be full of delight for the theatre patrons of this city. Superb and costly costumes have been provided, and garbed in these the girls at once; don't wait until all the best seats are gone, as they surely will be.

Monday, May 17, the spring and

Miss Charlotte Marsh. 800 Colorado avenue, celebrated her birthday anniversary by receiving her friends, last evening.

KEEP THE BALANCE UP.

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It has been truthfully said that any disturbance of the even balance of health causes serious trouble. Nobody can be too careful to keep this balance up. When people begin to lose appetite, or to get tired easily, the least imprudence brings on sickness weakness, or debility. The system need-s a tonic, craves it, and should not be denied it; and the best tonic of which we have any knowledge is Hood's Sarsaparilla. What this medical conference in the evening, five big acts of high class weakness, or healthy, in keeping up the evening performances at 7:15 and about 8:30. There will be opened, and the patrons of that house will have an unusual treat in the form of entertainment which it is proposed to provide for the warm months. Vaudeville seems to be popular with the people just at present, and Manager Jackson has decided to appetite, or to get tired easily, the least imprudence brings on sickness weakness, or debility. The system need-s a tonic, craves it, and should not be denied it; and the best tonic of which we have any knowledge is Hood's Sarsaparilla. What this medical the will offer, for three performances daily, one in the afternoon and two in the evening, five big acts of high class was allowed. The evening performances at 7:15 and about 8:30. There will be but a nominal price for daily, one in the evening, the term of the same to begin at 2:16, and the evening performances at 7:15 and about 8:30. There will be but a nominal price for daily one in the evening, the cert will be be opened, and the patrons of that thouse will have an unusual treat in the form of entertainment which it is form of the form of entertainment which it is form of the form of entertainment which it is form of the form of entertainment which it is form of the form of entertainment which it is form of the form of the form of entertainment which it is form of the form of few reserved seats at but ten cents extra. Never before in the history of local amusements, has so much been offered for so little money, and from the manner in which the announcement of the summer's plans has been received, it is believed that Manager lackson has struck the permiter forces. Jackson has struck the popular fancy, and that the success of the summer season will be most marked. The reserved seats for the evenings can be secured at any time, a week in ad-vance, if desired.

POLI'S

Last performance of Charmion, the 'Perfect Woman", this afternoon and tonight. A fine supporting bill offered this week in addition to the magnificent headliner.

Manager Poli has secured for next week Pat Rooney's company presenting Pat Rooney's latest musical farce entitled, "Hotel Laughland." The act is far superior it is said to "Simple Simon Simple", the Pat Rooney act recently presented here. A bunch of pretty and vivacious girls combine to make "Hotel Laughland" one of the real headline offerings of the season. The fact that next week will be the last of the vaudeville season at Poli's will lend probably the best talent of his entire season. will lend probably the best talent of his entire season. It is sufficient al-most to state that another of those Pat Rooney musical comedy hits will be offered. Mr. Rooney enjoys the reputation of producing more snap and go, brilliant effervescent acts than anybody else perhaps in the varieties. Patrons of Poli's will find in "Hotel Laughland" one of the best treats of

engaged for next week. Among the topnotch features will be: The Watertopnotch features will be: The Watermelon Trust, the brightest colored act in all vaudeville, introducing Coats, Grandy & Co., and presenting a series of songs and dances hard to equal and impossible to surpass; Lancton, Lucier & Co., in their novel offering entitled "Fool's Errand", introducing comedy, songs and eccentric dancing; James R. McDonald, the elite entertainer in song and talk stuff; Vine Daley, the daintiest dancer in the varieties; Corcoran & Dixon, late of the Dockstader Minstreis, in a snappy series of burnt cork presentations; Lorenzo & Ladue, the revolving pole artists in one of the most novel acts in vaudeville; and the brand new motion pictures on the

ELOPES

Baltimore, Md., May 8.-Miss Louise Gill, a pretty heiress, 18 years old, who was introduced to Robert Dimpfel over the telephone by a friend only a month ago, eloped with him last evening, and the pair were married in Washington A telegram from the bride immediately after the ceremony so shocked her ment to-day warned the government mother, Mrs. Philip W. Hoopes, that that his men were not competent to she was prostrated.

Morse Had Millions; Now Hasn't a Dollar

New York, May 8.—Charles W. Morse, who told several friends in 1907 that he was worth \$22,000,000, testified in supplementary proceedings in the Tombs that he hasn't a dollar that he can call

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A new little Mahogany Tea Table for the drawingroom has a double set of leaves, two above and two below. All four can be dropped or folded into compact shape when not required. This is a very roomy and convenient table as there is abundant space for extra cups, saucers, and plates, below the tea equipage which is placed on top.

Some new Reading Lamps for the livingroom or library table are graceful shaped affairs of old English brass. The shades are of white ground glass, the burners are central draft, which emit a strong and steady light softened by the shade. They are good for reading or any work.

The attractive Himalaya Cloth is appreciated by women who are in search of inexpensive coat suits this summer. It is one of the mercerized cottons and has a decidedly silky appearance. There are coarse uneven threads in the weave which add greatly to its style and make it not unlike Rajah. It is a firm durable fabric especially suitable for coat suits and one may choose from a long list of the fashionable neutral shades.

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der Suspension and With Their Dismissal by the Government Will Come Declaration of General Labor Strike.

(Special From United Press.) Paris. May 8.-The prospects of a paralyzing strike throughout France were heightened to-day by the fallure An excellent supporting bill has been day organized the postmen's union, to appear before the court of discipline Neither did the several members of the

the most novel acts in vaudeville; and vice and never reinstated, according to M. Barthou, minister of public works temperature followed on Sunday by interpretation of the strike sentiment is now almost unanimous. Opposition to night. a strike by all except the extreme Socialistic press has dampened the ardor of some of those who were ac-tive in the former strike but news-papers can hardly be expected to have a deterring effect.

Railway locals are now voting on the strike question and the result will undoubtedly be in favor of joining the postmen and telegraphers. The director of the military railway depart-ment_to-day warned the government run the regular trains and that little help could be furnished by his depart-

Hundreds of merchants are prepar ing to barricade their shops. Another Skyscraper

erators, bought the place yesterday and announced their intention of putting up a modern skyscraper on the site.

SCARE OVER

SCARLET FEVER

(Special from United Press.)

Dover, N. H., May 8.—After a three weeks siege of scarlet fever which has numbered 200 victims and which has proven fatal in at least one case. Dover's High School is to be re-opened Monday morning. Ever since the appearance of the epidemic the High School, public schools and public library have been closed. The public schools and library are to be reopened in another week if the disease should be conquered by that time. Twenty persons are still ill with the contagion and it is feared that some of these cases may prove fatal.

Weather Indications.

(Special from United Press)

HARVARD PLANS NEW PRESIDENT

(Special from United Press.)
Boston, May 8.—Abbott Lawrence
Lowell, according to arrangements
completed to-day, will be inaugurated
President of Harvard on October 6 and 7 next. Professor Lowell will, however, be the de facto head of Har-yard from the time of President Eliot's resignation. The order of events on the first day will resemble that of commencement day. The inauguration will take place in the morning following as closely as possible the traditional program. The ceremony will be followed by the inaugural address and who told several friends in 1907 that he was worth \$22,000,000, testified in supplementary proceedings in the Tombs that he hasn't a dollar that he can call his own. All of his ice trust, steamship and bank securities have gone to satisfy creditors. Mr. Morse declared before Referee John Whalen, as well as all the real estate and personal property that he owned

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